

Nebraska Sales and Use Tax

GENERAL INFORMATION

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Every 6 months, the payment threshold is lowered.

| • | January | 1, 2012 | \$13,000 |
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| • July 1, 2012 | \$11,000 |
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Any businesses with multiple locations that have been granted permission to file "combined" sales tax returns **MUST** e-file.

For more detailed information on e-file and e-pay requirements, see our website.

Today's Agenda

- 1. Nebraska sales tax
- 2. What is a sales transaction?
- 3. Sales tax is calculated on gross receipts.
- 4. <u>Delivery location determines the rate</u> of local sales tax.
- 5. <u>Sellers must collect and report sales tax</u> or document why they didn't.
- 6. Accounting method matters
- 7. What is use tax?
- 8. Other tax information...

1.NebraskaSales Tax

For more information, see the <u>Sales and Use Tax Regulation</u> on our website.

1. Nebraska Sales Tax

SALES TAX is

- based on the transaction,
- rather than the item sold.

2. What is a Sales Transaction?

2. What is a Sales Transaction?

A SALE is

- the transfer of title or possession,
- of an item or taxable service,
- for consideration.

2. Sales Transaction (continued)

A LEASE OR RENTAL

- is a <u>sale</u>,
- because there is a transfer of <u>possession</u>.
- Sales tax is due on each payment.

2. All Sellers...

...are the **consumers** of anything they use to sell their items; and ...**must pay tax** on them.

Example 1: Cash registers.

Example 2: Display racks, posters, & mannequins.

2. Taxable Services

- Animal specialty services
- Building cleaning
- Computer software training
- Detective services
- Installing/applying tangible personal property
- Motor vehicle towing, washing/waxing, painting
- Pest control services
- Recreational vehicle (RV) park services
- Security services
- Repair labor (with 5 exceptions see <u>slide 54</u>)

For a complete list of taxable and nontaxable services, see the <u>Nebraska and Local Sales Tax Information Guide</u> on our website.

2. All Service Providers...

...are the **consumers** of the items used to provide the service; and

...must pay tax on those items

(even if the charge for the service is also taxable).

- Example 1: The carwash does not sell soap and wax, but a "car wash."
- Example 2: A window cleaner is not selling window cleaner, but "clean windows."

2. Collecting Sales Tax

- Collected by the seller as an agent for the State
- Trust fund belongs to the State of Nebraska
- Must have a sales tax permit
- Collection fee

3.

Sales Tax is Calculated on Gross Receipts

3. Gross Receipts

Gross receipts mean the total amount of a sale or lease for a consideration.

Sales tax is calculated on the gross receipts of the sales transaction.

For more information, see Reg-1-007 – Gross Receipts Defined.

4.

Delivery Location & the Local Sales Tax Rate

4. Delivery Location

The delivery location determines the rate of local sales tax.

- The delivery location is where the purchaser picks up the item or where he/she takes possession of it.
- The local sales tax rate depends on whether the delivery location is inside or outside city limits.
- When delivery is outside Nebraska, contact the other state.

5.

5A. DocumentingWhy You Didn't5C. Reporting Sales Tax

5A. Collecting Sales Tax (continued)

- ALL sales transactions are presumed taxable.
- Sales tax must be separately stated (with 4 exceptions).

The Bottom Line for Sales Tax

Sellers must collect sales tax
- OR document why they did not.

5A. Documenting Exempt Sales

- Form 13
- Sellers keep completed copies of Form 13.
- A "blanket" form is valid until it is revoked in writing by the purchaser.

5B. Documenting Exempt Sales (continued)

Form 13, Section A – Resale Certificate

- Purchases for resale
- Items that become a component part of a product to be sold

Form 13, Section A

| Nebraska Resale or Exempt Sale Certificate for Sales Tax Exemption REVENUE Nebraska Resale or Exempt Sale Certificate for Sales Tax Exemption RESET FORM 13 | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PURCHASER | NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF SELLER | | | | |
| Name | Name | | | | |
| Street or Other Mailing Address | Street or Other Mailing Address | | | | |
| City State Zip Code | City State Zip Code | | | | |
| Check Type of Certificate Single Purchase Blanket If blanket is checked, this certificate is valid until revoked in writing by the purchaser. I hereby certify that the purchase, lease, or rental by the above purchaser is exempt from the Nebraska sales tax for the following reason: Check One Purchase for Resale (Complete Section A) Exempt Purchase (Complete Section B) Contractor (Complete Section C) | | | | | |
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| SECTION A — Nebraska Resale Certificate | | | | | |
| I hereby certify that the purchase, lease, or rental of from the above seller is exempt from the Nebraska sales tax as a purchase for resale, rental, or lease in the normal course of our business, either in the form or condition in which purchased, or as an ingredient or component part of other property to be resold. I further certify that we are engaged in business as a: Wholesaler Retailer Manufacturer Lessor | | | | | |
| of Description of Product Sold, Leased, or Rented | If None, State Reason | | | | |
| and hold Nebraska Sales Tax Permit Number 01- | ii Noile, State Reason | | | | |
| or Foreign State Sales Tax Number | State | | | | |

5B. Documenting Exempt Sales (continued)

Form 13, Section B – Exempt Sale Certificate

- Specific governmental units
 - Governmental Entities information guide
 - Reg-1-012C Entity-based exemptions
- Certain exempt organizations
 - Nonprofits PowerPoint slides
 - Nonprofits information guide
 - Reg-1-090 Nonprofit organizations
 - Reg-1-091 Religious organizations
 - Reg-1-092 Educational institutions





Form 13, Section B (continued)

- Qualified manufacturing machinery and equipment (MME)
 - MME PowerPoint slides
 - MME information guide
 - Reg-1-107 MME Exemption
- Vehicles and parts for vehicles used by a common or contract carrier
 - Common or Contract Carrier information guide
 - Reg-1-069 Common & Contract Carriers





Form 13, Section B (continued)

- Qualified commercial agricultural machinery and equipment (Ag exemption)
 - Agri-business PowerPoint slides
 - Ag information guide
 - Reg-1-094 Ag machinery & equipment refund
- Occasional sales (This exemption is very limited in scope!)
 - Reg-1-022 Occasional Sales

Form 13, Section B

| Nebraska Department of REVENUE | Nebraska Resale or Exempt Sale Certificate for Sales Tax Exemption Read instructions on reverse side/see note below RESET FORM | | | FORM 13 | |
|--|--|-------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| NAME AN | NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PURCHASER | | NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF SELLER | | |
| Name | | | Name | | |
| Street or Other Mailing Address | | | Street or Other Mailing Address | | |
| City | State | Zip Code | City | State | Zip Code |
| Check Type of Certificate Single Purchase Blanket If blanket is checked, this certificate is valid until revoked in writing by the purchaser. I hereby certify that the purchase, lease, or rental by the above purchaser is exempt from the Nebraska sales tax for the following reason: Check One Purchase for Resale (Complete Section A) Exempt Purchase (Complete Section B) Contractor (Complete Section C) | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| SECTION B—Nebraska Exempt Sale Certificate | | | | | |
| The basis for this exemption is exemption category (Insert appropriate category as described on reverse of this form.) | | | | | |
| If exemption category 2 or 5 is claimed, enter the following information: | | | | | |
| Description of Item(s) Purchased Intended Use of Item(s) Purchased | | | | | |
| If exemption categories 3 or 4 are claimed, enter the Nebraska Exemption Certificate number. 05- | | | | | |
| If exemption category 6 is claimed, seller must enter the following information and sign this form below: | | | | | |
| Description of Item(s) Sol | d c | Date of Seller's Origin | al Purchase | Was Tax Paid when Purchased by Seller? YES NO | Was Item Depreciable? YES NO |

Form 13, Section C – For Contractors Only

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| Name | | Name | | | |
| Street or Other Mailing Address | | Street or Other Mailing Address | | | |
| City State | Zip Code | City State | Zip Code | | |
| Check Type of Certificate Single Purchase Blanket If blanket is checked, this certificate is valid until revoked in writing by the purchaser. I hereby certify that the purchase, lease, or rental by the above purchaser is exempt from the Nebraska sales tax for the following reason: Check One Purchase for Resale (Complete Section A) Exempt Purchase (Complete Section B) Contractor (Complete Section C) | | | | | |
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| SECTION C—For Contractors Only | | | | | |
| 1. Purchases of Building Materials or Fixtures: | | | | | |
| As an Option 1 or Option 3 contractor, I hereby certify that purchases of building materials and fixtures from the above seller are exempt from Nebraska sales tax. My Nebraska Sales or Consumer's Use Tax Permit Number is: 01- | | | | | |
| 2. Purchases Made Under Purchasing Agent Appointment on behalf of: | | | | | |
| Pursuant to an attached Purchasing Agent Appointment and Delegation of Authority for Sales and Use Tax, Form 17, I hereby certify that purchases of building materials, and fixtures are event from Nebraska sales tay | | | | | |

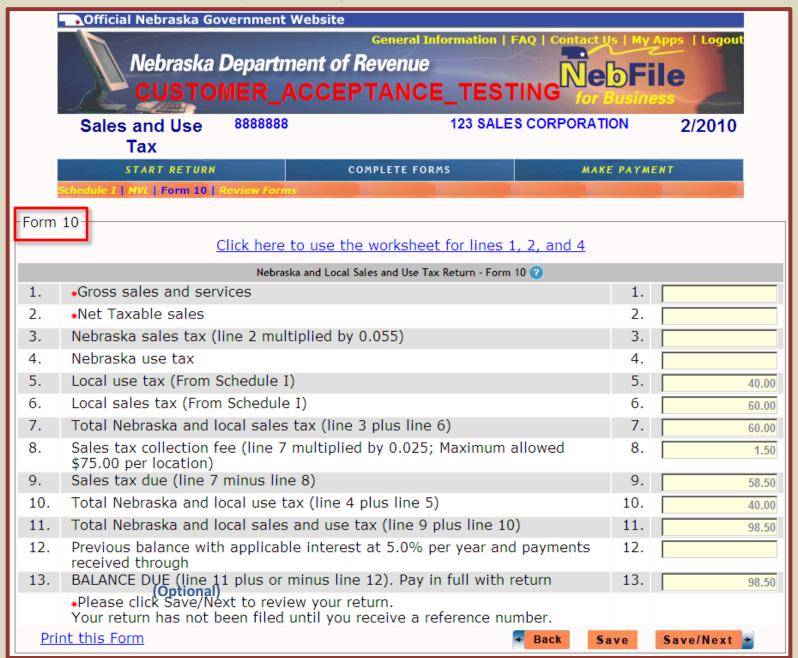
There is a seminar just for **Contractors**!

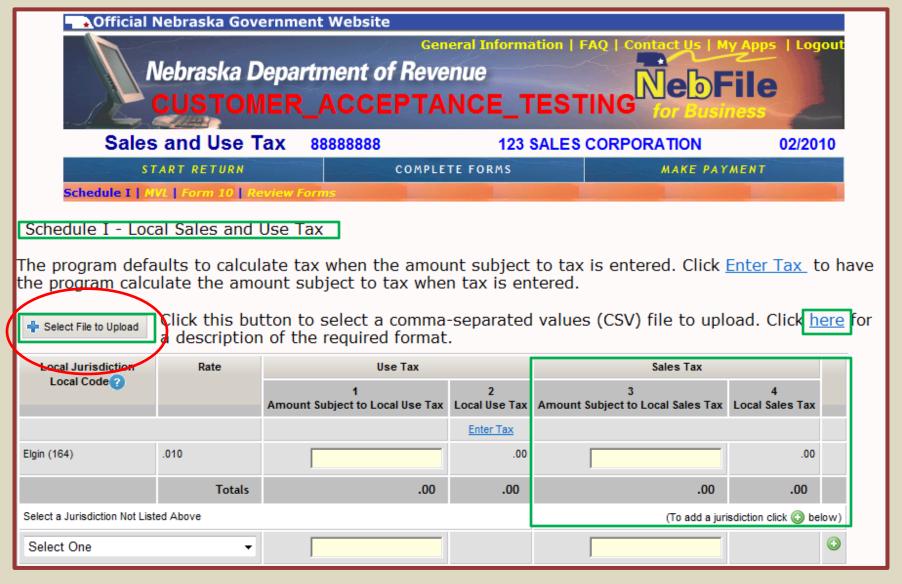
Check the schedule to attend a class, request that we set a date to work with you directly, or check out the presentation using the link above!

5C. Reporting Sales Tax

- <u>E-file</u> a Form 10.
- For e-file instructions, please go to the Department's <u>website</u>.
- A return must be filed even if there are no sales to report.

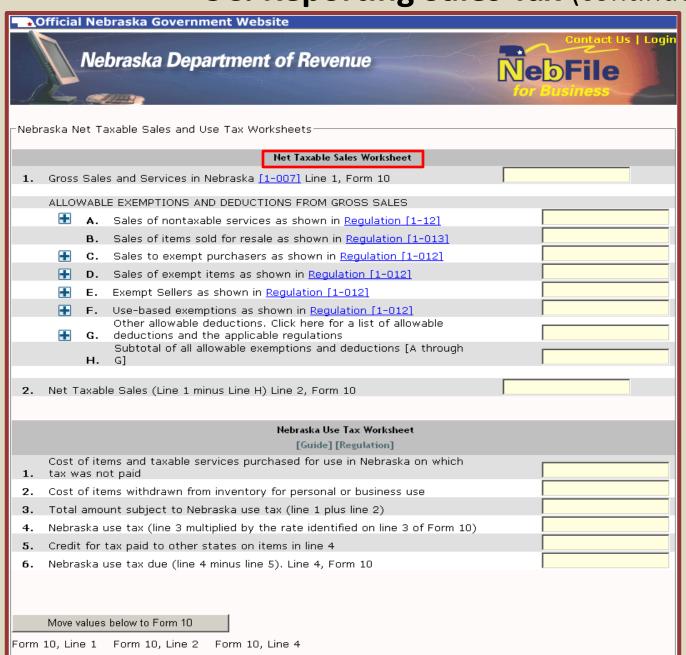
5C. Reporting Sales Tax (continued)





- The file upload feature allows taxpayers who report sales tax to multiple tax jurisdictions to upload a comma-separated values (CSV) file.
- There is no requirement to use this feature. It is simply a convenience some filers may choose. See "Click here" to see more information.

5C. Reporting Sales Tax (continued)



This screen shows the Optional Net Taxable Sales Worksheet used to help calculate lines 1 and 2 on Form 10.

6.

Accounting Method Does Matter

6. Accounting Method

Determines when sales and use tax is due.

The accounting method you use:

- Is <u>not</u> based on <u>HOW</u> a customer pays you; but
- Is determined by <u>WHEN</u> you record income and expenses.

6. Accounting Method (continued)

Cash Method

- Sales are recorded as income when payment is received by the seller.
- Purchases are recorded as expenses when payment is made to the vendor.

Accrual Method

- Sales are recorded as income when the sale occurs regardless of when payment is received.
- Purchases are recorded as expenses when incurred regardless of when payment is made.

6. Accounting Method (continued)

Example:

- A furniture store sells a sofa on Oct. 1, 2010 for \$1,000.
- The customer picks up the sofa on the same day.
- The customer makes a \$500 payment on Oct. 1, 2010.

Cash Method

- The \$500 payment is recorded as income for October.
- The \$500 payment recorded is reported on the Form 10 as gross sales.

Accrual Method

- The entire \$1,000 is recorded as income in October, even though the customer has only paid \$500.
- The furniture store reports the entire \$1,000 on its October Form 10 as gross sales.

7. What is Use Tax?

For more information, see <u>Reg-1-002</u> – Use Tax.

7. What is Use Tax?

- Use tax is due when Nebraska sales tax has not been paid on a taxable item or service purchased for use in Nebraska.
- Sales and use tax are <u>not BOTH due</u> on the same transaction.
- The big difference is WHO remits the tax -
 - SALES TAX is collected and remitted by the <u>SELLER</u>.
 - USE TAX is paid directly to the Department by the <u>PURCHASER/CONSUMER</u>.

7. Use Tax (continued)

Use tax and sales tax have these things in common -

- They are imposed on the same transactions.
- They have the same exemptions.
- They are calculated at the same rate.
 - OR
 - Where first usage in Nebraska takes place.

7. Use Tax (continued)

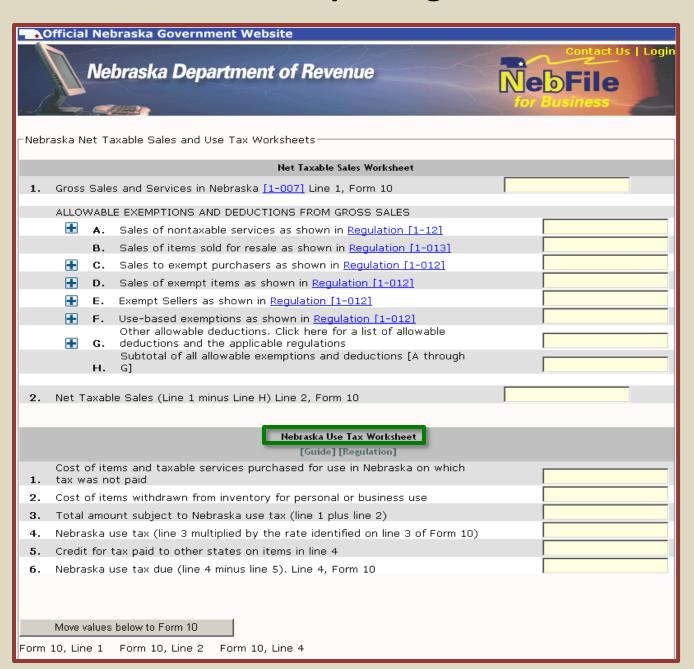
- Often due when purchases are made from an <u>OUT-OF-STATE SELLER</u>
 - Internet, catalog, mail order
 - Magazines and journals by subscription
- Use tax is due when the business withdraws tax-free inventory for business or personal use (including donations)
 - Auto mechanic
 - Hair salon

7. Reporting Use Tax

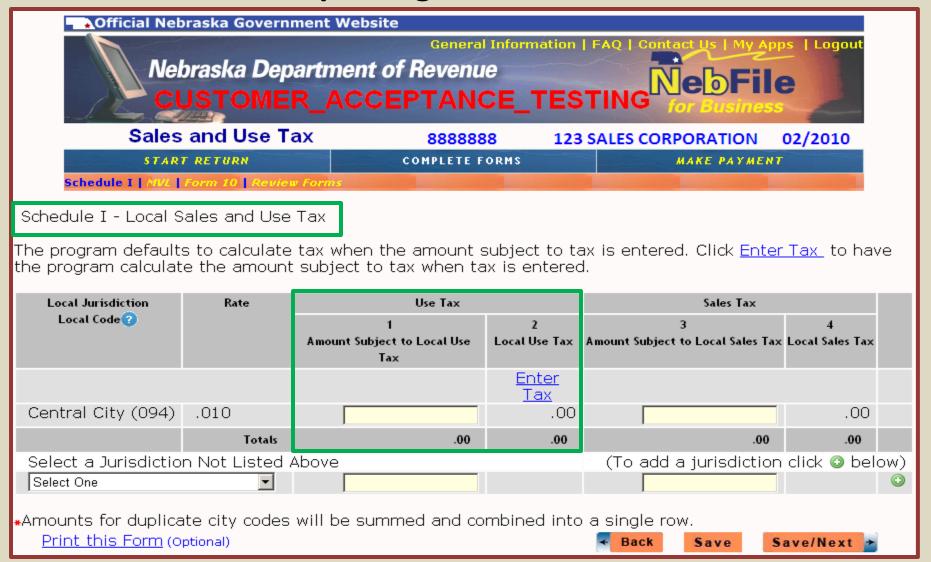
- Businesses report use tax on:
 - Form 10; or
 - o <u>Form 2</u>.
- Individuals report use tax on:
 - o Form 3;
 - Form 1040N; or
 - O Form 2 (only if claiming credit for tax paid to another state).

NOTE: Do not use Form 1040-XN to make changes to individual use tax filings.

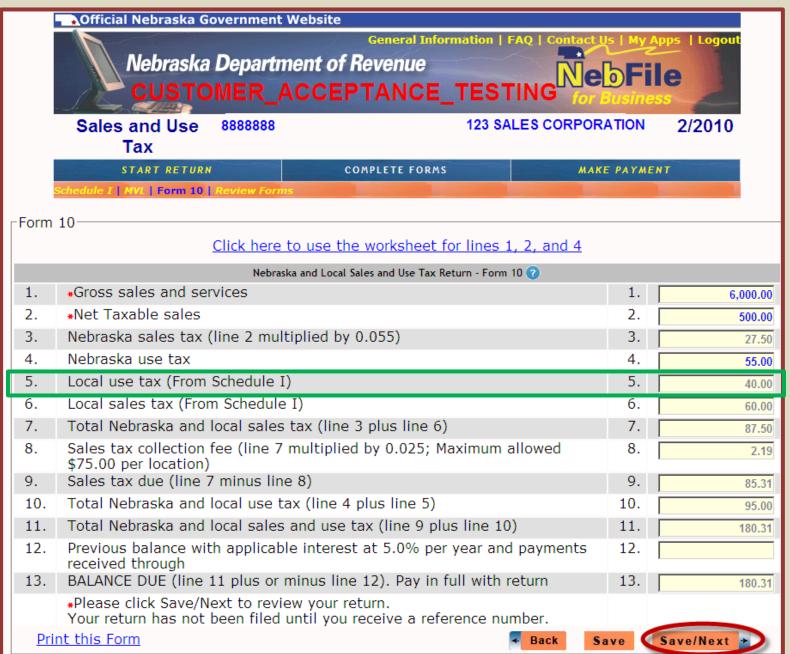
Businesses that hold a Nebraska Sales Tax Permit, use Form 10.



This screen shows the **Optional Nebraska Use Tax Worksheet** used to help calculate line 4 on Form 10.



- On **Schedule I**, local jurisdictions reported within the last 12 months will be shown.
- The program defaults to enter the "Amount Subject to Tax." Click on the blue Spring 2012 45
 "Enter Tax" link to enter the amount of tax.

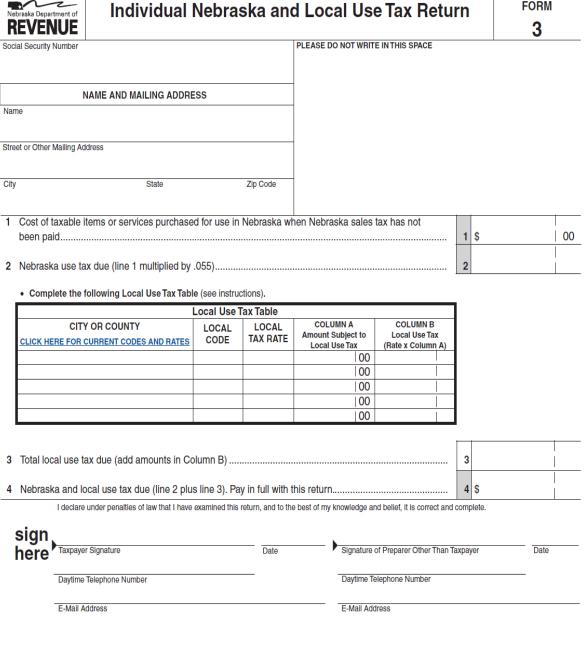


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Businesses use
Form 2 if they
DO NOT hold a
sales tax permit.

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Individuals use Form 3.



Mail this return and payment to: NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, PO BOX 98923, LINCOLN, NE 68509-8923.

www.revenue.ne.gov, (800) 742-7474 (Nebraska and Iowa), (402) 471-5729

Individuals can use Line 38 on Form 1040N to report and pay use tax!

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| 37 TOTAL TAX AND PENALTY. Add lines | | 00 | | | | |
| 38 Use tax due on Internet and out-of-sta | | | | | | |
| Enter purchases subject to tax 92 \$; State tax 93 \$00 (purchases x 5.5%); Local code 94 (see <u>local rate schedule</u>); | | | | | | |
| Local tax 95 \$00 (purchases x 5.5%), Local code 94 (see <u>local rate scriedule</u>), Local tax 95 \$00 (purchases x local rate of%, from local rate schedule) | | | | | | |
| Total tax \$ 38 38 38 | | | | | | |
| 39 TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. If line 35 is less than total of lines 37 and 38, subtract line 35 from the total of lines 37 | | | | | | |
| and 38. Pay this amount in full. For ele | | | 00 | | | |
| 40 OVERPAYMENT. If line 35 is more that | | 00 | | | | |
| 41 Amount of line 40 you want APPLIED TO YOUR 2012 ESTIMATED TAX | | | | | | |
| 42 Wildlife Conservation Fund DONATION of \$1 or more | | | | | | |

Summary of Sales Tax

- 1. Nebraska sales tax
- 2. What is a sales transaction?
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Other Tax Information

8. Other Tax Information

- 8A. Labor Charges Associated with Personal Property (Reg-1-082)
- 8B. Gross Receipts (Reg-1-007)
- 8C. Computer Software, Software Installation, & Digital Goods and Services (Reg-1-088)
- <u>8D.</u> Manufacturing Machinery & Equipment (MME) (Reg-1-107)
- 8E. Agricultural Machinery and Equipment (Reg-1-094)
- 8F. Certificate of Clearance (Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-2707)
- 8G. Why Would We Contact You? (Dept. webpage)
- 8H. Records (Reg-1-008)
- 8I. Discounts (Reg-1-037)
- 8J. Psychic Services

8A. Labor Charges Associated with Personal Property

Taxable

- Production and assembly labor
- Installation and repair labor WHEN the item is taxable

Exempt

- Installation labor WHEN the item is exempt
- Repair labor (see the next slide)

8A. Exempt Repair Labor Charges

- Licensable motor vehicle
- Agricultural machinery and equipment used in commercial agriculture
- Qualifying prosthetic devices and durable medical equipment (<u>Form 13</u> required)
- Mobility-enhancing equipment (<u>Form 13ME</u> required)
- Qualified MME (<u>Form 13</u> required)

8B. Gross Receipts

4 EXCEPTIONS TO SEPARATELY STATING SALES TAX

- Admissions
- Alcohol by-the-drink
- Concessions
- Vending machines

8B. Gross Receipts - The Exceptions

You charge your customer \$10 for a pitcher of beer in a city with a 1.5% local sales tax.

The customer's bill would show:

Pitcher of beer \$10

To determine gross receipts and the amount of sales tax:

- Divide \$10 by 1.07 (1 plus the total state and local sales tax rate). The gross receipts is \$9.35.
- Subtract \$9.35 from \$10 to get \$0.65, which is the tax.

Gross receipts (sales price) = \$9.35

State and local sales tax = \$0.65

8B. Gross Receipts – Delivery Charges

Delivery charges are taxable when:

1. The buyer pays the seller for the delivery charge;

AND

2. The transaction is taxable.

Delivery charges are taxable regardless of the method of delivery.

8B. Delivery Charges (continued)

If you owe use tax on a purchase, you also owe use tax on any delivery charge paid to the seller as part of that purchase.

8B. Gross Receipts - Occupation Tax

Any city may impose and collect an <u>occupation</u> <u>tax</u>, privilege, or license tax, on a business within its boundaries.

- The occupation tax rate is set by the city.
- The occupation tax is imposed on the business, similar to income taxes and property taxes.
- The business pays the occupation tax directly to the city on forms provided by the city.
 - Many cities allow sellers to itemize the occupation tax on their customer's bill or invoice as a separate line item.

- The occupation tax is part of the seller's gross receipts.
- If it is separately stated on the invoice, the occupation tax must be added to the sales price before calculating state and local sales tax (see the following examples).

Example 1 – Meal-only Restaurant Bill

Meal (in Omaha, NE)

Occupation Tax (2.5%)

Subtotal (gross receipts)

Sales Tax 7% (state 5.5% and city 1.5%)

Total

\$50.00

+ 1.25 >> Remit to the city

\$51.25

+ 3.59 >> Remit to the NE

Dept of Revenue

\$54.84

Example 2 – Hotel Bill

Hotel Room Rate (in Omaha, NE)

\$100.00

City Occupation Tax (5.5%)

+ 5.50 >> Remit to the city

Subtotal (gross receipts)

\$105.50

Gross receipts subject to Sales & Lodging Tax = \$105.50

Sales Tax Calculation

Lodging Tax Calculation

Gross Receipts \$105.50

Gross Receipts \$105.50

Lodging Tax 5%

Sales Tax 7%

\$ 7.39

\$ 5.28

(state 5.5% & city 1.5%)

(county 4% & state 1%)

\$7.39 + \$5.28 = **\$12.67**

>> Remit to the NE Dept of Revenue

Example 2 – Hotel Bill (continued)

The customer's bill should show:

| Hotel Room Rate | \$100.00 |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Occupation Tax (5.5%) | + 5.50 |
| Subtotal | \$105.50 |
| State and Local Sales Tax (7%) | + 7.39 |
| State and County Lodging Tax (5%) | + 5.28 |
| Total | \$118.17 |

NOTE: A "combined rate," adding sales tax, lodging tax, and occupation tax rates, is not allowed.

8B. Gross Receipts – Tips and Gratuities

- Discretionary (Nontaxable)
- Mandatory (Taxable)

8C. Computer Software, Installation, and Digital Goods & Services

Taxable Examples

Software/ Software Installation

- Tangible medium
- Internet transferred software
- Software training / re-training by the seller
- Maintenance agreements with updates

Digital Goods

- Electronic books and book clubs
- Downloading songs & ringtones
- Movies, music videos, & TV shows

Services

 Virus protection software, monitoring services, security services, and testing

8C. Software, Installation, & Digital Goods & Services (continued)

Nontaxable Examples

Software/ Software Installation

- Cloud Computing
- Accessing web-based applications (no code necessary)
- Access codes for online subscription services

Digital Goods

- Web design without license transfer
- Electronically-transferred photographs

Services

Help desk without updates

Refer to <u>Regulation 1-088 – Software</u> and the <u>Computer Software</u> information guide for more information.

8D. Manufacturing Machinery and Equipment (MME)

MME is Exempt:

 If more of the manufacturer's total annual revenue is from sales of tangible personal property it manufactures than from any other business activity.

AND

 The machinery and equipment is used more than 50% of the time in manufacturing.

8D. MME includes machinery or equipment used for (1-8):

- Producing, fabricating, assembling, processing, molding, shaping, finishing, refining, or packaging tangible personal property;
- 2. Transporting, conveying, handling, or storing the manufactured goods or raw materials;
- 3. Maintaining the integrity of the products or unique environmental conditions for the products or MME itself;

8D. MME includes machinery or equipment used for: (continued)

- Testing or measuring the product, the manufacturing process, or the quality of the finished products;
- 5. Computers, software, and peripheral equipment used to guide, control, operate, or measure the manufacturing process.

Example -

Software used to direct robotic assembly line equipment to move the product down the line.

8D. MME includes machinery or equipment used for: (continued)

- 6. Self-constructed equipment
- 7. Replacement parts
- 8. Repair labor charges

8D. MME DOES NOT include...

- Licensable motor vehicles
- Tools powered by hand
- Security equipment
- Safety apparel
- Office equipment
- Repair shop equipment
- Most cleaning equipment
- Equipment used for R & D

8E. Agricultural (Ag) Machinery & Equipment

Purchases of ag equipment are sales and use tax exempt when **ALL THREE** of these criteria are met:

- 2A. The item is used directly in commercial agriculture;
- 2B. The item meets the definition of **ag equipment**; and
- 2C. The purchaser properly completes a Form 13, Section B.

8E. Commercial Ag

COMMERCIAL AG is:

 Producing food products or other useful and valuable crops;

- OR -

Raising or caring for animals.

The crops or animals can either be sold or used by the farmer/rancher to produce other products for sale.

8E. Commercial Ag (continued)

Commercial ag also includes commercial production in:

- Feedlots;
- Greenhouses;
- Nurseries;
- Sod farms; and
- Tree farms.

8E. Ag Equipment

Ag equipment **DOES NOT** include:

- Real estate;
- Licensable motor vehicles;
- Equipment used in processing at a commercial facility;
- Well drilling equipment;
- Office equipment; or
- Replacement parts.

8E. Ag Repair & Replacement Parts

- HOWEVER, the purchaser may apply for a refund of the tax if:
 - The repair parts are depreciable; and
 - The property repaired is qualified ag equipment.
- To obtain a refund, file a
 Form 7AG-1 within 3 years of the date of purchase.

8F. Certificate of Clearance

Purchasing a Business = Buying a Liability?

The **buyer** can be held liable for taxes due by the previous owner up to the amount of the purchase price, even if a lien has not been recorded.

PROTECT YOURSELF!

Certificate of Clearance:

- Seller gives the certificate to the buyer; or
- Buyer requests and receives the certificate in writing.
- Buyer must include a Power of Attorney, Form 33, and a copy of the signed purchase agreement.

The Department will:

 Respond within 60 days to a written request, whether buyer should withhold funds from the purchase including any assumed debt, amount or not.

Refer to Successor in Interest, § 77-2707 Sales and Use Tax, and Transferee, § 77-27,110 Income Tax Withholding.

Just a few more things...

8G. Why Would We Contact You?

The Department uses a variety of tools when determining which taxpayers to contact for audit.

Examples:

- Audit of another taxpayer
- Department staff experiences
- Referrals from outside sources
 - Media
 - Tip line
 - Other government agencies

- Data mining
 - Comparisons with other companies
 - Trends, patterns, and relationships
 - Industry standards
- Follow-up audits

8H. Records

Every seller is required to keep records.

- Documents
- List of items consumed in the business
- Normal books of account
- Receipts showing taxes paid
- Resale and exemption certificates
- Schedules
- Working papers used in preparing tax returns

We recommend you retain records for 5 years after a return is filed.

8I. Discounts

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- Manufacturer's Amount discounted after tax is calculated.
- Retailer Discount deducted before tax is calculated.
- Deal-of-the-Day Tax applied to item/service when redeemed.
- Group Discounts Depends on manufacturer or retailer.

CERTIFICATES

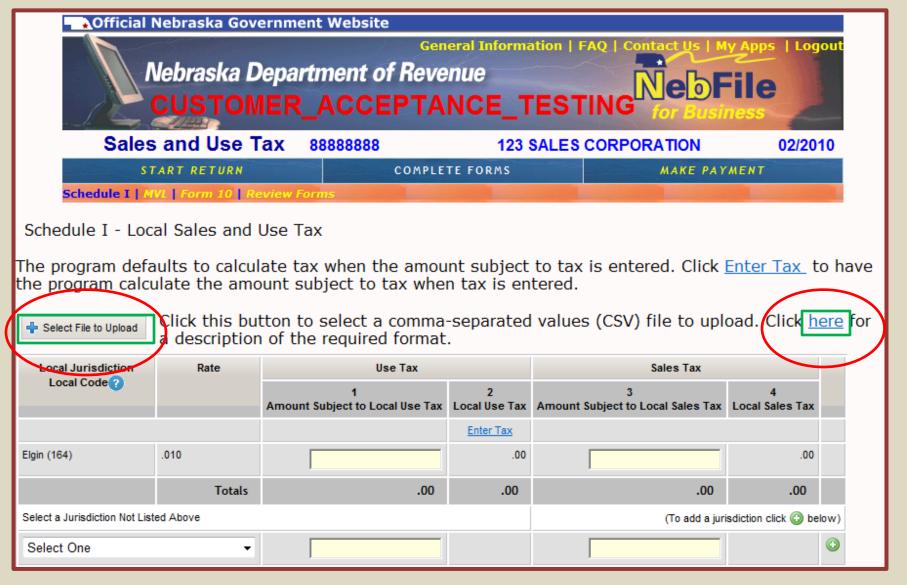
- Gift Certificates and Cards Tax applied to item or service when redeemed.
- Phone Cards Taxable at time of purchase.

8J. Psychic Services

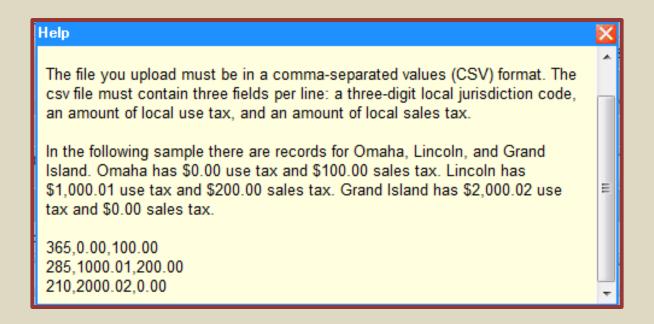
Nontaxable services include:

- Counseling
- Palm Reading
- Tarot Reading
- Astrology Reading
- Chakra Balancing

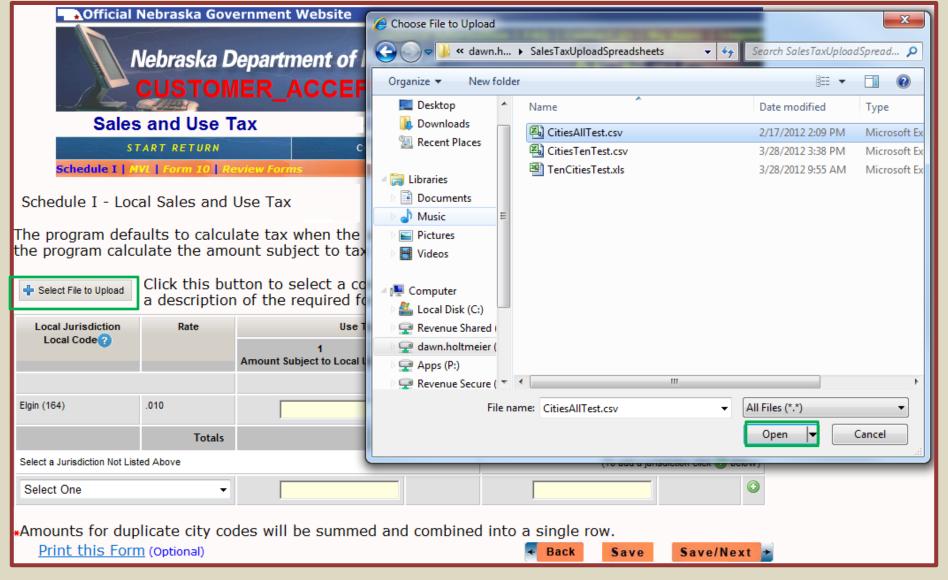
Note: Books, magazines, and other tangible personnel property are generally subject to sales tax.



- The file upload feature allows taxpayers who report sales tax to multiple tax jurisdictions to upload a comma-separated values (CSV) file.
- There is no requirement to use this feature. It is simply a convenience some filers may choose. See "Click here" to see more information.



 This help screen shows an example of a CSV file formatted correctly for three local jurisdictions.



- To use the upload feature, click on the "Select File to Upload" button.
- Use your directory to find the CSV spreadsheet saved on your computer (in this example, "CitiesAllTest.csv" is the selected file).
- Once you have selected the file, click the "Open" button to begin the upload process.

| Local Jurisdiction | Rate | Use Tax | | Sales Tax | | |
|---|--------|---|--------------------|---|----------------------|------------|
| Local Code 2 | | 1 Amount Subject to Local Use Tax | 2 Local Use Tax | 3 Amount Subject to Local Sales Tax | 4 Local Sales Tax | |
| | | Enter Amount | | | | |
| Columbus (110) | .015 | | .00 | | .00 | |
| Crete (125) | .015 | | .00 | 300.00 | 4.50 | |
| Friend (192) | .010 | | .00 | 696,583.00 | 6,965.83 | |
| Fullerton (193) | .015 | | .00 | 975,216.67 | 14,628.25 | |
| Geneva (198) | .015 | | .00 | 2,047,955.33 | 30,719.33 | |
| Genoa (199) | .015 | | .00 | 4,300,706.67 | 64,510.60 | |
| Gering (200) | .015 | | .00 | 666,666,600.00 | 9,999,999.00 | |
| Grand Island (210) | .015 | | .00 | 175,645,223.33 | 2,634,678.35 | |
| Hastings (230) | .015 | 342.67 | 5.14 | | .00 | |
| Omaha (365) | .015 | 666.67 | 10.00 | 800.00 | 12.00 | |
| York (536) | .015 | | .00 | 200.00 | 3.00 | |
| | Totals | 1,009.34 | 15.14 | 850,333,585.00 | 12,751,520.86 | |
| Select a Jurisdiction Not Listed Above | | | | (To add a jurisdiction click 🕥 below) | | |
| Select One | ▼ | | | | | (1) |
| *Amounts for duplicate city codes will be summed and combined into a single row. Print this Form (Optional) Back Save Save/Next | | | | | | |

- Once the file has been uploaded, the values and totals are populated.
- You may upload multiple files or manually make changes until your Schedule 1 is correct.
- When the Schedule 1 is complete, click the "Save/Next" button to continue filing.



Let us know what you think. Please turn in your evaluation!

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